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Applicant: Kenneth Rhodes and Wenqian An

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CARDIOVASCULAR DISORDERS

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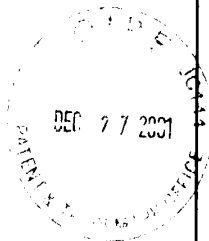
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2001 (Paper No. 11).

Responsive to the Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 4-10, 13 and 14, without prejudice and amend claims 1-3, 11-12, and 15-16 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for identifying a compound suitable for treating a cardiovascular disorder comprising: